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SUBJECT:SUPPORT FOR AMERICAN PERSONNEL TO BE ASSIGNED TO
AEROSAT COORDINATION OFFICE AT NOORDWIJK

1. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT), FEDERAL AVIATION
ADMINISTRATION (FAA), IS REQUESTING ASSISTANCE OF DEPART-
MENT AND EMBASSY REGARDING ARRANGEMENTS TO HELP SUPPORT
SEVEN PERSONS TO BE ASSIGNED TO INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AEROSAT
COORDINATION OFFICE (ACO) ON TDY BASIS BEGINNING LATE JUNE.
ACO WILL BE LOCATED FOR SIX-TO-TWELVE MONTHS AT NOORDWIJK.
UNLESS ASSIGNMENT EXCEEDS 12 MONTHS, QUESTION OF OPRED
CEILING CONTROLS DOES NOT ARISE. HOWEVER, AS USG EMPLOYEES,
PERSONNEL WILL BE UNDER AUTHORITY OF AMBASSADOR WHILE IN
NETHERLANDS.

2. ESTABLISHMENT OF ACO HAS BEEN AGREED IN A MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED IN 1974 BY DOT/FAA (FOR USG),
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EUROPEAN SPACE RESEARCH ORGANIZATION (ESRO), AND GOVERNMENT
OF CANADA.

3. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN ESRO AND NETHERLANDS AUTHORITIES

PROVIDE FOR STATUS OF AMERICAN PERSONNEL WHILE ASSIGNED IN THE NETHERLANDS, AND FAA HAS AGREED TO THIS STATUS. A

FURTHER PAPER REGARDING SERVICES TO BE REQUESTED OF ESRO IS BEING COORDINATED WITHIN FAA. WHILE THESE SERVICES ARE COMPREHENSIVE, FAA BELIEVES THE SEVEN AMERICAN PERSONNEL MAY WELL NEED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FROM US EMBASSY, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREAS OF FISCAL SERVICES (CASHIER, DISBURSING OFFICER OPERATIONS AND PERHAPS VOUCHERING) AND COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES (TELEGRAPHIC TRAFFIC, POUCHING AND MAIL AND MESSENGER SERVICES). AFTER IDENTIFYING REQUIREMENTS MORE SPECIFICALLY, THEY WOULD COMPLETE AN SAS AGREEMENT.

4. AT PRESENT, FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, FAA WOULD LIKE TO KNOW POSSIBILITIES FOR USING "LONDON TOLL" LINE AND COSTS THEREOF; ALSO WHETHER EMBASSY CAN IF NECESSARY ASSIST WITH:

A. ALIEN REGISTRATION PROCEDURES (ARE RESIDENCE PERMITS NECESSARY; WHAT DOCUMENTS MUST BE FURNISHED BY EMPLOYING AGENCY; AND CAN DEPENDENTS OBTAIN WORK PERMITS?) AND ANY OTHER IN-COUNTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES;

B. AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION, LICENSING, GAS COUPONS, IF PURCHASED FOR PRIVATE USE;

C. LOCATING SUITABLE HOUSING;

D. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF EMBASSY STORE, PX/COMMISARY, IF AVAILABLE.

5. COPIES OF RELEVANT BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS MADE AVAILABLE BY FAA, ARE BEING POUCHED FOR EMBASSY'S INFORMATION. IN ADDITION, MR. PAUL ASTHOLZ, CONSULTANT AND ONE OF THE SEVEN AMERICAN EMPLOYEES TO BE ASSIGNED TO ACO, PLANS UNCLASSIFIED

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TO BE IN NOORDWIJK ABOUT JUNE 2-20 AND WILL CONTACT EMBASSY COUNSELOR FOR ADMINISTRATION. MR. ASTHOLZ CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND ON POLICY AND OVERALL OBJECTIVES OF THE AEROSAT PROGRAM.

6. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS CONCERNING FAA REQUEST. COULD EMBASSY PROVIDE IN PRINCIPLE TYPES OF SUPPORT MENTIONED PARA 4 ABOVE AND SHOULD DEPARTMENT OR FAA EXPLORE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH ASSIGNMENT OF US PERSONNEL TO ACO? INGERSOLL

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